(b) Project authorities are fully committed to rehabflitiate the affected rural population. The Project has already earned appreciation for imparting skills and training to local affected tribals and employing them as operators and maintenance staff.

(c) Does no - arise.

WRONG APPOINTMENT OF PERSONS IN BHALGORE PROJECT OF B.C.C.L. IN THE NAME OF HARIJAN TRIBALS

2317. SHRI BRAHMADEO ANAND PASWAN : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that about 115 persons have been wrongly appointed as Harijan tribals|Adivasis in Bhalgore project of the Bharat Coking Coal Limited;

(b) wheher it is also a fact that the Personnel Manager of the said project has been suspended for the said appointments;

(c) whether Government propose to take any further action against the General Manager of the said project and appoint Harijans only on these posts ;

(d) if so, by when; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA) : (a) 115 persons i were appointed in Bhalgore Area in the year 1991 under a Scheme for recruitment of SCs/STs.

(b) Personnel Manager concerned has been dismissed for irregularities in the above appointments.

(c) to (e) Enquiry was conducted against the General Manager also. As no special charger were proved in his case, no penel action was called for against him.

कोल इंडिया लिमिटेड द्वारा निलम्बित किये गये कामगार

2318. श्री ब्रह्मदेव आनन्द पासवान : क्या कोयला मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि

(क) क्या यह सच है कि कोल इंडिया लिमिटेड ने पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान बिना कोई आरोप पत्र दिये लगभग 500 कामगारों को निलम्बित कर दिया है ;

(ख) क्या इन निलम्बित कामगारों में अनुसूचित जातियों और पिछड़े वर्गों के कामगारों की संख्या अधिक है ;

(ग) क्या सरकार इन निलम्बित कामगारों को बहाल करने का विचार रखती है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो कब तक और यदि नहीं तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

कोयला मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजित कुमार पांजा): (क) कोल इंडिया लिमिटेड, कलकत्ता द्वारा पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान बिना आरोप-पत्र जारी किये किसी भी कामगार को निलम्बित नहीं किया गया है।

(ख) से (घ) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता है।

TRANSPORTATION OF COAL TO GUJARAT AND MAHARASHTRA

2319. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether Coal is being transported smoothly due to non-availability of wagons for Gujarat and Maharashtra in in the last three years;

(b) if so, what are the details of the demand and supply of wagons for the last three years; and

(c) what efforts have been made by Government so far to provide adequate wagons for the States of Gujarat and Maharashtra ?

j THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT I KUMAR PANJA) : (a) to (c) Ministry of Railways have informed that movement of coal by rail to Maharashtra and Gujarat is satisfactory. In order to further in- crease movement of coal for the indus- trial consumers of Gujarat and Maha- *r*ashtra, 100 per cent allotments are beingmade for industries from coalfields linked